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However it is not yet time for me to enter into a thorough analysis and a systematic discourse relating to those super natural phenomena, in order to ascertain more clearly and definitely their nature and substance. This is only the beginning of a series of experiences altogether on a new line, specially when they appear so very delusive and transient in their effects on us, it will not be advisable I think at this early stage, to discuss in detail and generalise upon their laws and causes. As they will begin gradually to impress upon our memory more and more by their repeated appearance and disappearance, it will become easier I think for us to get a clearer insight into their inner mysteries.

Now to resume our story:—After I had reached Port Mouat, that evening, they gave me to lodge in one of their wooden houses, together with their other criminals stationed there. They gave me to break stones and pave roads, at first, just as the others did, and I undertook to do

whatever work they gave, quite gladly and willingly. Port Mouat was only a very small